



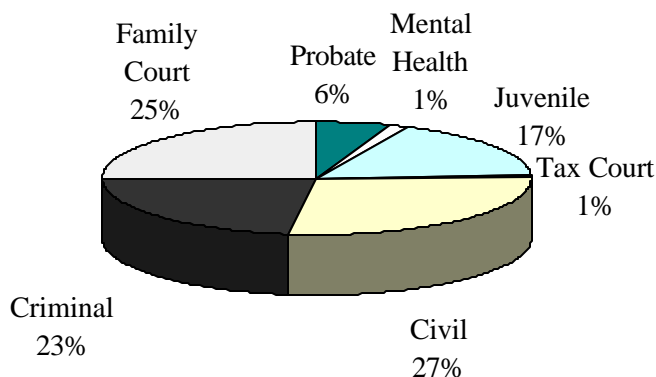
Maricopa County Justice System Activities Report Fiscal Year 1999-2000



Welcome to the third annual Activities Report compiled by Justice System Coordination. Please excuse minor differences in data reporting between departments, due to the point in time when data is captured and different definitions. For information regarding departmental reporting and data please contact representatives listed below. For questions or suggestions regarding this document overall contact Trina Lambert (506-1310) or Colin Ahler (506-4205).

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**Superior Court of Arizona in Maricopa County
Filings by Department, FY 2000
114,407 Total Cases**



Correctional Health

	FY98	FY99	FY00
Medical Requests	78,921	84,360	N/A
Medical Doctor Visits	42,310	43,563	44,603
Nursing	145,611	128,695	146,700
Psychiatry	10,522	11,763	13,369
Counseling	11,603	11,195	11,110
Dental	4,756	5,296	10,208
Prescriptions	127,550	124,550	179,164
X-rays	4,731	4,723	4,186

Clerk of the Court

NEW CASES INITIATED

	FY99	FY00	%CHG
Civil	32,280	31,722	-2%
Domestic Relations	32,839	33,593	2%
Criminal	25,395	27,153	7%
Probate/Mental Health	6,693	6,843	2%
Appeals Filed	1,251	1,022	-18%

SUBSEQUENT CASE DOCUMENTS

Civil	408,790	409,276	0.1%
Domestic Relations	510,293	586,328	15%
Criminal	495,144	462,426	-7%
Probate/Mental Health	92,588	99,671	8%

JUVENILE PETITIONS

Delinquency	13,577	13,026	-4%
Dependency	1,199	968	-19%
Adoption	962	834	-13%
Severance	568	387	-32%
Adoption Certificates	748	765	2%

OTHER WORKLOAD INDICATORS

# Marriage Licenses Issued	13,113	13,144	0.2%
# Passport Applications	31,480	36,164	15%
# Notary Bond Apps Processed	12,810	12,471	-3%
# Documents Docketed	1,769,870	1,806,554	2%

DID YOU KNOW?

# Images Microfilmed	7,432,239	6,941,812	-7%
# Exhibits Processed	129,024	101,854	-21%
# Minute Entries Pages Distribu	4,554,234	5,089,970	12%
# RFR Payments Processed	37,710	58,923	56%
\$ Amount RFR Payment	5,002,171	5,735,345	15%

Sheriff's Office

Bookings

	FY99	FY00	%CHG
Local Police Agencies	94,378	92,601	-2%
Federal Agencies	1,772	1,699	-4%
County Agencies	5,522	6,233	13%
State Agencies	229	232	1%
Self Surrenders:	15,029	11,358	-24%
City Court	10,407	7,979	-23%
Justice Court	2,296	1,540	-33%
Superior Court	2,326	1,839	-21%
Total	116,930	112,123	-4%

Average Daily Inmate Population by Category

Felony	4,957	5,095	3%
Misdemeanor	1,307	1,124	-14%
Agency Hold	480	421	-12%
Misc.	26	24	-8%
Total	6,770	6,664	-2%

Inmate Population High Count

	(8/29/98)	(6/25/00)	
	7,202	7,129	-1%

Average Length of Stay (in days)

	21.5	21.5	0%
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Total Prisoners Transported

Superior Court	70,286	73,591	5%
Justice Courts	19,607	20,110	3%
Interfacility	410,694	512,664	25%
Total	500,587	606,365	21%

Total Bonds/Fines

Processed	\$8,580,515	\$11,510,973	34%
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Total Canteen Sales	\$2,590,589	\$2,604,439	1%
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Total # Meals Served	9,101,543	9,125,288	0.3%
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# of Warrants Received	40,759	43,625	7%
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# Civil Process Received	42,938	42,172	-2%
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# Subpoenas Received	21,884	19,929	-9%
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# Subpoenas Served	N/A	12,269	N/A
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# Tax Bills Collected	17,546	18,772	7%
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\$ Tax Bills Collected	\$10,823,123	\$12,750,085	18%
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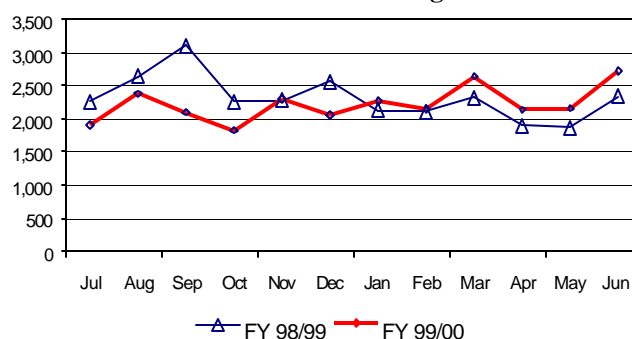
Orders Received	12,453	15,766	27%
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# Posse Members	3,670	3,276	-11%
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# Reserve Officers	214	121	-43%
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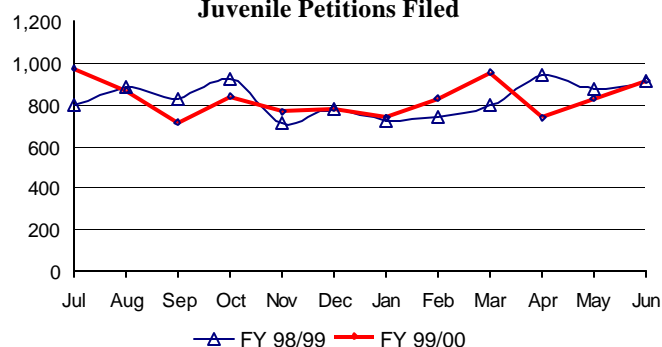
County Attorney

Adult WCMR Case Filings



Source: Maricopa County Weekly Case Management Report (WCMR)

Juvenile Petitions Filed



During fiscal year 1999-2000, the Maricopa County Attorney's Office saw a slight reduction in the number of felony offenses filed against adult offenders (4%), and a minimal increase in the number of delinquency petitions filed against juvenile offenders (less than 1%).

During the 1999-2000 fiscal year, the Maricopa County Attorney's Office initiated a number of projects that will reduce crime in neighborhoods and improve services that victims receive:

- In the fall of 1999, the Maricopa County Attorney's Office entered into a partnership with the Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (S.A.N.E.) Programs administered by Scottsdale Healthcare. This provides adult victims of sexual assault with sensitive forensic examinations by specially trained nurse examiners at any of the three Advocacy Centers in Maricopa County or Scottsdale Healthcare facilities.
- In the winter of 1999, the Office initiated the Elder Abuse Program to enhance services the Victim Witness Division provides to victims of elder abuse and exploitation. In addition, a committee of law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and health care, social service and victim assistance providers was convened to develop a comprehensive protocol for investigating and prosecuting elder abuse and exploitation. This committee expects to complete the protocol in the spring of 2001.
- In the spring of 2000, the Community Action Bureau was created to work in cooperation with neighborhood organizations to address issues such as residential blight, graffiti, and environmental crimes. The Bureau utilizes both criminal and civil sanctions to reduce the prevalence of these offenses by holding offenders accountable.

Adult Probation

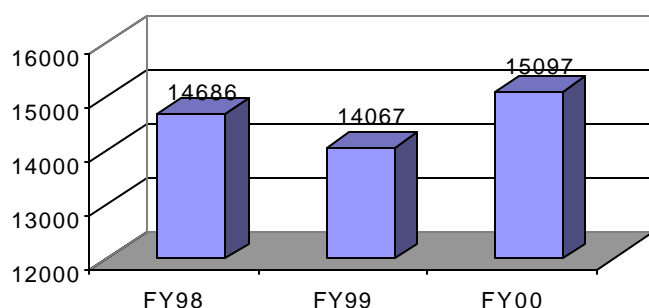
Average Daily Population on Supervision in Maricopa County

	FY99	FY00	%CHG
Standard Probation	20,837	22,459	8%
Intensive Probation	1,580	1,562	-1%

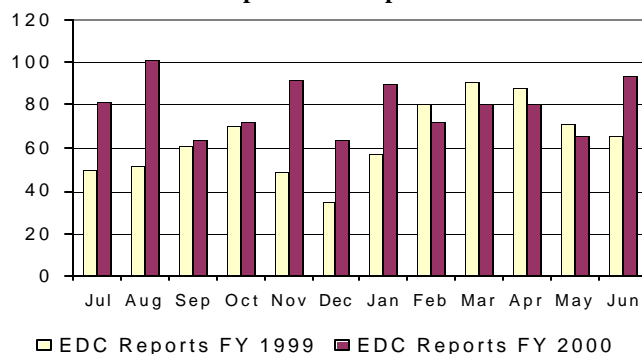
Probation Terminations by Type

	FY99	FY00	%CHG
Early Completion	2,163	2,536	17%
Revoked to DOC	2,719	2,896	7%
Full Term Completion	3,504	3,657	4%

Presentence Reports Completed



EDC Reports Completed



Justice Courts

JUSTICE COURT FILINGS

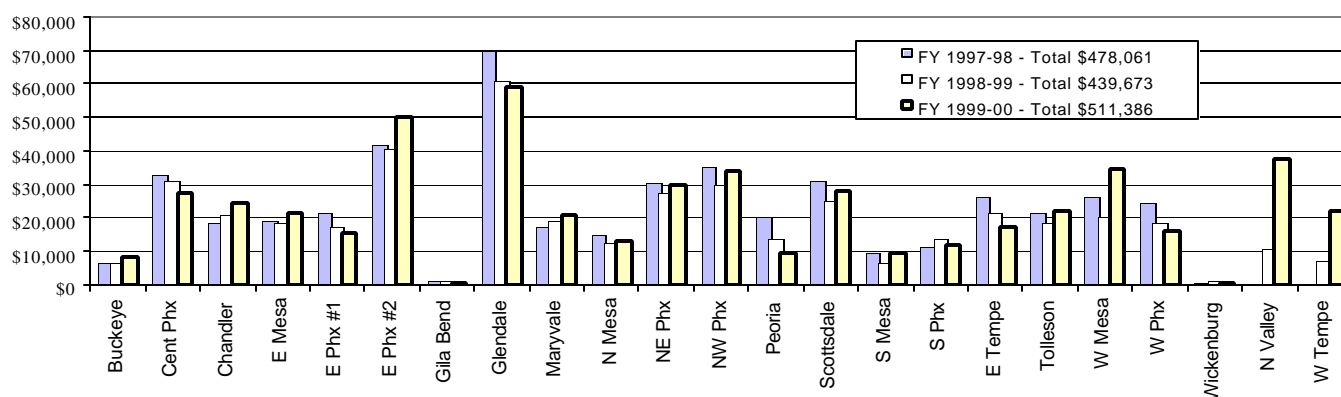
	FY98	FY99	FY00
Civil	17,502	17,733	17,422
Small Claims	18,555	18,080	17,600
Forcible Detainer	51,473	51,473	59,743
Felony	21,789	21,789	18,089
Misdemeanor	21,294	21,294	22,853
Criminal Traffic	25,258	25,258	34,498
Civil Traffic	152,083	152,083	158,138
Domestic Violence	5,642	5,642	5,405
Harassment	5,196	5,196	5,200

JUSTICE COURT DISPOSITIONS

	FY99	FY00	Clearance Rate FY00
Civil	17,985	17,839	102%
Small Claims	18,101	17,482	99%
Forcible Detainer	54,121	58,589	98%
Felony	17,973	16,900	93%
Misdemeanor	21,806	23,177	101%
Criminal Traffic	28,195	27,776	81%
Civil Traffic	136,852	146,412	93%
Domestic Violence	5,227	5,185	96%
Harassment	4,969	4,986	96%

Constables

Fees Received by Constables for Justice Precincts



Indigent Representation

Legal Defender	FY98	FY99	FY00
Major Felonies	125	111	123
Other Felonies	2,694	3,030	3,473
Dependencies	303	579	725
Severance	24	97	97
Report and Review ¹	57	113	622
Public Defender	FY98	FY99	FY00
Homicides ²	136	158	164
Serious Crimes Against Children ²	291	302	313
Other Felonies ²	21,535	20,013	21,875
Probation Revocations ³	9,221	10,640	12,115
Misdemeanors ³	4,472	3,616	3,796
Superior Court Jury Trials	N/A	493	502
Average Case Length - Trial Division	N/A	128	128
Cases Opened - Trial Division	N/A	20,473	22,352
Cases Closed - Trial Division	N/A	20,848	21,512
Delinquencies ⁴	10,196	9,362	10,010
Juvenile Appeals ⁵	73	140	113
Anneals ⁵	446	516	469
Post-Conviction Reliefs ⁵	235	305	241
Anneal/Post-Conviction Reliefs ⁵	786	771	783
Mental Health ⁶	1,531	1,765	1,567
Dependency	N/A	378	330
Office of Court Appointed Counsel	FY98	FY99	FY00
Major Felonies ²	99	72	61
2nd Chair Death Penalty	25	23	22
Sexual Predators	27	43	62
Felonies ²	2,772	2,010	2,090
Delinquencies ⁷	3,713	3,187	3,271
Appeals ⁵	54	47	56
Post-Conviction Reliefs	331	349	376
Mental Health	N/A	34	45
Dependency	N/A	3,418	3,247
Probate	N/A	469	465

1 This increase is the result of the number of cases handled the previous year that now require R & Rs.

2 Assignments resulting in no complaint being filed are not counted. No credit is taken for early stage case transfers to LD or OCAC. Cases with dispositions of withdrawal due to conflict or retention of private counsel are counted as full cases unless withdrawal or retention occurred in Justice Court or this office withdrew due to workload. In these instances, no credit is taken for the case.

3 P.V. and Misdemeanor private counsel and withdrawal cases receive no credit.

4 Report and Review cases receive only half credit. No credit is taken for cases withdrawn from due to excessive workload or because no complaint filed.

5 No credit is taken for cases withdrawn from due to excessive workload or because no complaint filed. PCRs and Appeal/PCRs are counted by CR# rather than by number of petitions.

6 No deductions are made from gross case assignments.

7 No credit is given to contract counsel for additional petitions in juvenile matters. This is a count of juveniles assigned to private counsel through disposition.

Juvenile Court

PETITIONS FILED WITH JUVENILE COURT

	FY99	FY00	% CHG
Adoptions	970	930	-4%
Delinquency	13,852	17,428*	26%
Dependency	1,169	989	-15%
Severance	547	406	-26%
Other	690	495	-28%
Total	17,228	20,248	18%

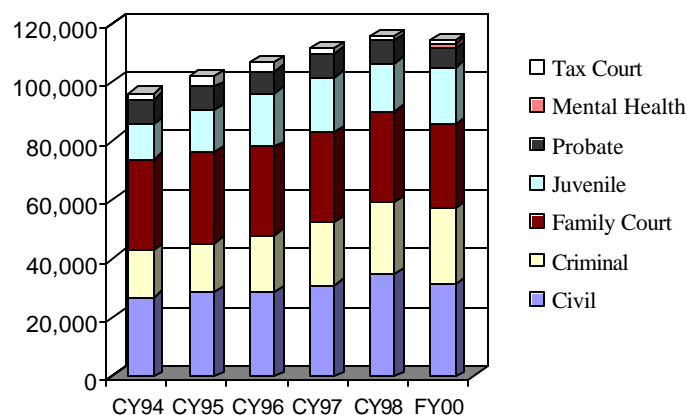
* Includes citations

JUVENILE DETENTION INFORMATION

	FY99	FY00	%CHG
Screenings	11,050	10,656	-4%
Detention	9,891	10,055	2%

Superior Court

Superior Court Filings by Department
CY 1994-1998 and FY 2000



After several years of collaborative efforts between Superior Court and the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office Technology Bureau, the **Year 2000 Conversion** from LEJIS (Law Enforcement Judicial Information System) was completed. Case tracking is now more accurately maintained and the data processing system is more 'user friendly.' Other benefits to the updated system include:

- Improved data integrity through edit functionality;
- Improved and expanded historical statistical reporting, as well as newly designed and implemented managerial reports;
- System integration and information sharing with other local justice agencies.

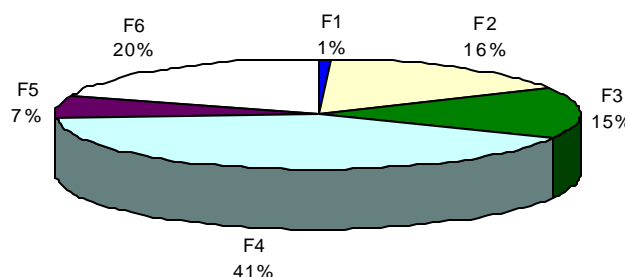
Early Disposition Court (EDC) continues to expedite case processing of certain drug and welfare-case types. For FY 2000, the average number of days from the case filing to termination was 46, as compared to 96 days for all other felony cases.

Superior Court (continued)

terminated during the year. A majority of EDC cases are sentenced when the guilty plea is accepted.

Expansion of **Early Disposition Court** to the Southeast Facility in Mesa occurred after months of planning with various county agencies and departments associated with the program. Also, construction for an additional EDC courtroom downtown was completed which is co-located with the existing EDC courtroom, providing uncomplicated access to all available resources. EDC continues to prove itself a vital element of criminal case flow. In excess of 520 cases are terminated every month in EDC.

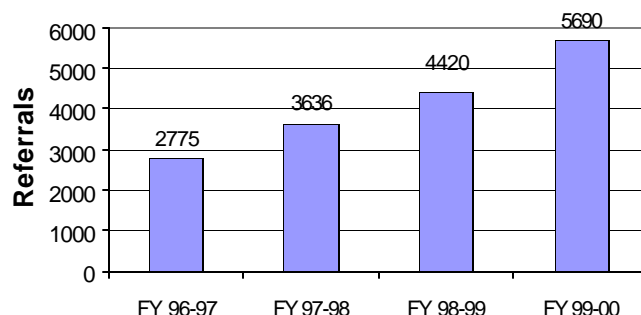
Felonies Filed by Class (Total: 26,054)



*Note: Felonies are classified into one of six categories (F1 through F6) depending upon the nature of the crime. F1 status is reserved for the most serious felonies while the least serious felonies fall into F6 status.

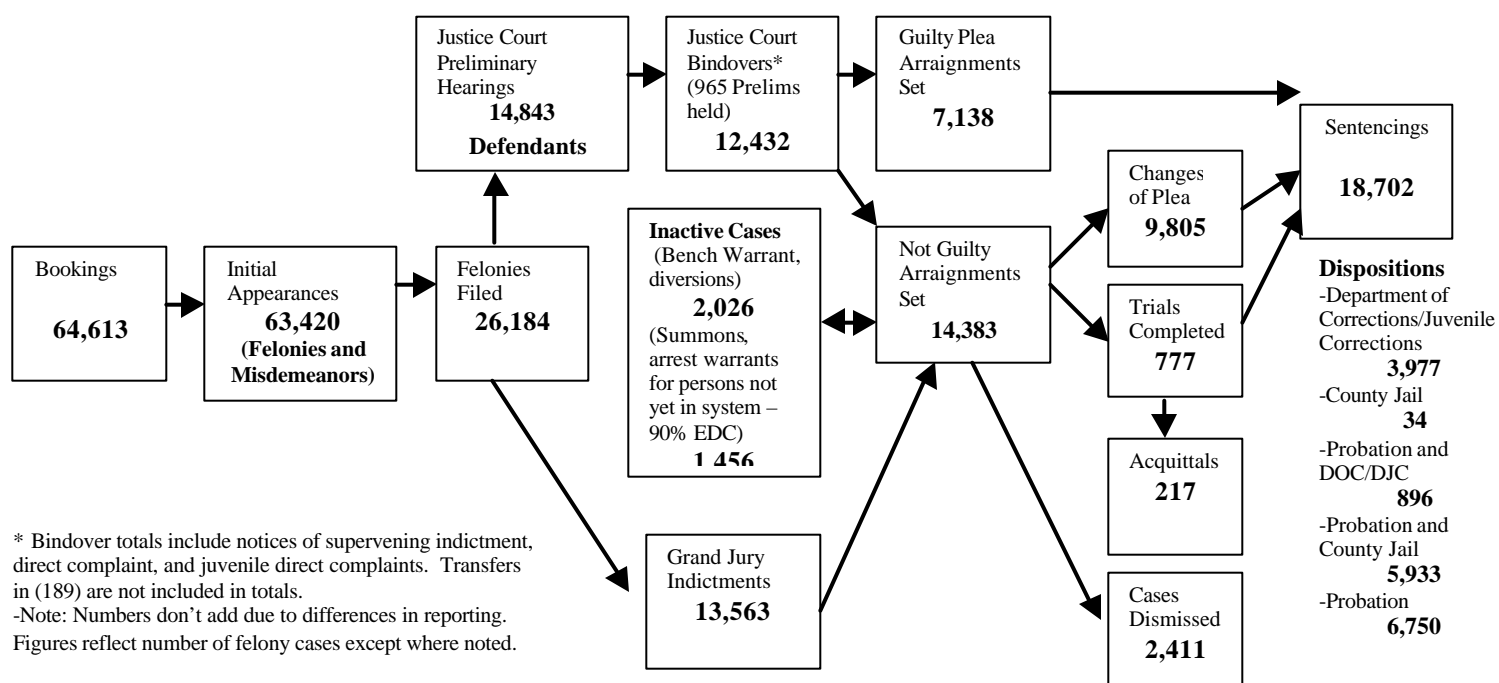
Initial Appearance Court (IA) has also undergone significant changes during the fiscal year. Implementation of continuous 24-hour IA Court began in April after recruiting and training five full-time professional Hearing Officers. As opposed to the use of pro tems, full-time Hearing Officers can devote more time and attention to individual defendants, as well as release conditions in the community. Hearing Officers work a variety of shifts. In addition to calendar duties, they have assumed Emergency Orders of Protection and DUI Search Warrant Duties from Superior Court judges and commissioners.

Pretrial Defendant Monitoring Unit



The **Defendant Monitoring Unit (DMU)** is responsible for the supervision of released defendants pending disposition of their court matter(s). The DMU experienced a 29% increase in the number of defendants ordered to report for supervision in fiscal year 2000.

Felony Cases through the Maricopa County Justice System FY 1999-2000



* Bindover totals include notices of supervening indictment, direct complaint, and juvenile direct complaints. Transfers in (189) are not included in totals.

-Note: Numbers don't add due to differences in reporting. Figures reflect number of felony cases except where noted.

Systemwide News

Status of Proposition 400 Projects

These projects were authorized in November 1998, when voters approved a one-fifth cent sales tax increase in Maricopa County until \$900 million is generated or nine years pass. Jail tax revenues may fund new adult and juvenile detention facilities and staff, as well as specific projects that improve the criminal justice system and lessen the number of beds needed. The present policy of the Board of Supervisors is to fund ongoing operational costs with general fund rather than jail tax dollars, to not build reliance upon a revenue stream that will sunset.

1. Expand Juvenile and Adult Jail Capacity and Provide Related Facilities: Adult projects include the Lower Buckeye Jail (1,808 beds, a central food factory, laundry, warehouse, infirmary, and central plant) and the 4th Avenue Jail (maximum security, pretrial booking, 1,360 beds). Schematic design, design development, and value engineering are complete on both projects, with construction documents now in development. The Estrella Support Building is completed. Juvenile projects include 120 new beds at Southeast, and at Durango 220 new beds, a 12-courtroom courthouse, and 48-bed residential treatment center. Schematic design is complete, value engineering underway.

2. Maintain and Operate Adult and Juvenile Jail Facilities: One hundred fifty-one positions have been added for adult detention related staffing needs over the past three fiscal years.

3. Implement an Integrated Criminal Justice Information System: This will provide reliable data more quickly for sound case and jail population management decisions. An Executive Committee of the County justice and law enforcement agencies oversees the effort to thus far: develop a governance agreement; appoint a Business Team and working groups; complete a needs assessment; initiate work on message brokering between departments; and develop a business plan.

4. Develop Regional Centers for Courts Not-Of-Record and/or Reduce Transports to Justice of the Peace Courts: The County opened a new co-located Justice Court in Glendale for two courts and construction is proceeding in the Downtown Justice Court facility for three courts. In May 2000, the Board of Supervisors approved an agreement with Mesa to build a four court downtown building, and capital funds are allocated for Tempe and Northwest sites.

5. Implement Differentiated Case Management: Numerous efforts targeted at reducing case disposition timelines include reassigning casework between commissioners and judges, co-locating downtown criminal divisions, making more time daily for trials, expanding Initial Appearance Court proceedings to 24-hours, adding criminal court divisions, and altering division groupings.

6. Eliminate Unnecessary Court Proceedings: Activities common with #5.

7. Consolidate Criminal Divisions to a Common Location: The criminal divisions at the downtown facilities have been co-located in the upper floor of the Central Court Building, but moving the Southeast criminal divisions to downtown has not been pursued.

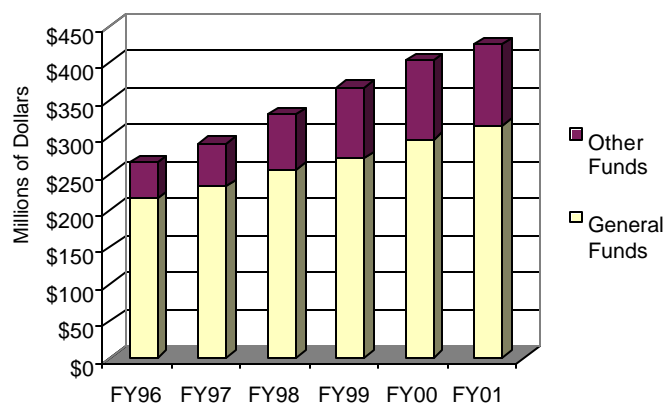
8. Expand Pretrial Release Supervision: The recommended improvements (adding 38 positions, 150 units of electronic monitoring, drug testing for defendants, and revalidating the bail matrix) have been largely implemented.

9. Enhance Substance Abuse Evaluation and Programming: A Reach-Out program has been instituted, where Adult Probation assesses sentenced individuals to differentiate the particular treatment necessary. Funding is set aside pending further review, for direct treatment and targeting inmates who both abuse substances and are seriously mentally ill.

10. Expand Drug Court: Early Disposition Court has been highly successful at expediting case processing and is being expanded to Southeast.

11. Expand Community-Based Programs for Juveniles: After investigating current efforts and successful models for crime prevention, efforts have resulted in reduced referrals from targeted areas. Electronic monitoring has been employed, as has drug diversion, juvenile drug court, and expanded early intervention in schools with families.

Aggregate Annual Budgets for all Maricopa County Justice Agencies FY 1996 to 2001



Fiscal Year 2001 Budget by Department

	General Funds	Other Funds*
Adult Probation	\$ 11,392,066	\$ 49,822,884
Superior Court	\$ 39,275,710	\$ 9,037,871
Justice Courts	\$ 15,039,396	\$ 1,607,551
Juvenile Probation	\$ 23,006,330	\$ 17,693,049
Correctional Health	\$ 20,185,541	\$ 43,868
Indigent Representation	\$ 32,695,404	\$ 1,649,244
County Attorney	\$ 40,281,987	\$ 9,809,007
Clerk of the Court	\$ 19,504,692	\$ 7,567,548
Constables	\$ 1,489,372	\$ -
Sheriff's Office	\$ 112,393,042	\$ 12,863,682

*Includes all grants, fees, and other special revenue.

Jail Tax Revenues and Expenditures

	FY99	FY00	FY01
Revenues	\$41,287,292	\$90,116,095	\$95,333,000
Expenditures			
Criminal Justice Facilities			
Development Integrated	\$ 2,321,395	\$17,433,707	\$ 69,618,279
Criminal Justice Information Svstem	\$ -	\$ 157,910	\$ 1,900,000
Other Jail Tax	\$ -	\$ 2,170,923	\$ 9,376,325